

**Amendment 1
Questions and Answers #1
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- 1) Q - Are there any other technical issues/requirements to be considered?

A – No. All technical issues/requirements are found within the synopsis/solicitation.

- 2) Q - When would the 2 units be needed for this phase?

A – As already stated in the synopsis/solicitation, NASA requires the 2 units no later than June 29, 2012.

- 3) Q - Is this an IRAD (Internal Research & Development) effort, one-time requirement, or Low Rate Initial Production (LRIP) program?

A – At this time NASA considers this a one-time requirement. It is possible NASA may have similar requirements in the future, but this synopsis/solicitation only addresses the 2 units and nothing more.

- 4) Q - Do you expect a production phase? If so, what are the anticipated quantities & schedule?

A – No.

- 5) Q - Is there a cost target/expectation for each module?

A – NASA does have estimates for each model. However, NASA will not release these estimates for 2 main reasons. The first reason is that NASA understands that prices may vary depending on a companies' ability/desire to construct amplifiers that exceed the basic technical requirements of this procurement. The second reason is that NASA wishes to retain procurement integrity for this procurement. Giving our price estimate in this instance may make it difficult for companies to furnish their most fair and reasonable offer. It should be noted that the synopsis/solicitation already states that this procurement is being conducted under FAR Subpart 12.6 and FAR Part 13.

- 6) Q - Is there Non-Recurring Engineering (NRE) funding available for development?

A – No.

Elaboration

As the synopsis/solicitation states, this procurement is a Small Business Set Aside under NAICS code 334220, Radio and Television Broadcasting and Wireless Communications Equipment Manufacturing. To further elaborate on this point, this means that a company must be registered as a Small Business in the Central Contractor Registration (<https://www.bpn.gov/ccr/default.aspx>) and Online Representations and Certifications Application (<https://orca.bpn.gov/>) websites in order to contract with the Government.

Any company may submit an offer under this Solicitation. But in order to be considered for award, that company must be registered at the above-referenced websites as a Small Business under the NAICS code 334220. Those companies submitting offers while not registered as Small Businesses under the NAICS code 334220 will not be evaluated for award unless a statement by an authorized representative of the company discloses that a re-certification is in progress and that the company will soon (within a week or less) be successfully registered as a Small Business.